

**Math 662 Commutative and Homological Algebra**  
**Homework Assignment 1**  
*Due Friday September 20*

Let  $R$  be an arbitrary ring with  $1 \neq 0$ .

1. Prove that chain homotopy is an equivalence relation.
2. Let  $B$  be a left  $R$ -module and let  $x$  be a nonzerodivisor of  $R$ . Show that  $\mathrm{Tor}_1^R(R/xR, B) = \{b \in B \mid xb = 0\}$ .
3. Let  $A, A', B, B'$  be left  $R$ -modules. Prove that
$$\begin{aligned}\mathrm{Ext}_R^n(A \oplus A', B) &\cong \mathrm{Ext}_R^n(A, B) \oplus \mathrm{Ext}_R^n(A', B), \quad \text{and} \\ \mathrm{Ext}_R^n(A, B \oplus B') &\cong \mathrm{Ext}_R^n(A, B) \oplus \mathrm{Ext}_R^n(A, B').\end{aligned}$$
(An analogous statement holds for  $\mathrm{Tor}$ .)
4. Prove that an  $R$ -module  $Q$  is injective if and only if  $\mathrm{Ext}_R^1(R/I, Q) = 0$  for all left ideals  $I$ . (*Hint: Use Baer's Criterion and a long exact sequence for  $\mathrm{Ext}$ .*)
5. Let  $k$  be a field,  $R = k[x]$ , and  $I$  a nonzero proper ideal of  $R$ . Find  $\mathrm{Tor}_n^R(R/I, R/I)$  and  $\mathrm{Ext}_R^n(R/I, R/I)$  for all  $n \geq 0$ .
6. Let  $k$  be a field and  $R = k[x]/(x^2)$ . Consider  $k$  to be an  $R$ -module on which  $x$  acts as multiplication by 0. Show that  $\mathrm{Tor}_n^R(k, k) \cong k$  for all  $n \geq 0$ .